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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETRD, EEC, IT

SUBJECT: EC MEDITERRANEAN POLICY

REF: A) STATE 134654, (B) LONDON 7761

1. MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (MFA) REP GRANDI (CHIEF EC  
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS OFFIC), WHO RETURNED FROM BRUSSELS YESTERDAY,  
INFORMED EMBOFF TODAY THAT FIRM AGREEMENT HAD BEEN REACHED BY EC  
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THAT REVERSE PREFERENCES WOULD NOT BE REQUESTED FROM THE THREE

MAHGREB COUNTRIES. HE NOTED, HOWEVER, THAT AGREEMENT HAD NOT YET BEEN REACHED AMONG EC MEMBERS ON THE JURIDICAL BASIS FOR SUCH AGREEMENTS. HE CAUTIONED THAT EC MIGHT FIND IT NECESSARY TO CAST AGREEMENTS IN FORM WHICH PERMITS "RECIPROCITY, I.E., REVERSE PREFERENCES BY MAHGREB COUNTRIES, IN ORDER TO BE CONSISTENT WITH GATT REQUIREMENTS FOR FREE TRADE AREAS (FTA) EVEN THOUGH EC NOT ASKING FOR PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT.

2. EMBOFF EMPHASIZED THAT US HAS NOT DROPPED OPPOSITION TO REVERSE PREFERENCES TO EC BY MAHGREB COUNTRIES.

3. COMMENT: AGREEMENTS ON JURIDICAL BASIS OF RECIPROCITY AS DESCRIBED PARA (1) ABOVE WOULD APPEAR TO PERMIT MAHGREB COUNTRIES TO OFFER REVERSE PREFERENCES. UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES MIGHT EC ACCEPT SUCH AN OFFER? VOLPE

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